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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**UNDER 37 CFR §1.56**

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Sir:

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The listed documents are being submitted in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97(d), before payment of the issue fee.

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Applicant respectfully requests that each listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO/SB/08 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

### **STATEMENT**

The undersigned hereby states in accordance with 37 CFR §1.97(e)(1) that each of the following items of information contained in the information disclosure statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent application not more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement. The following cited references are being submitted under this statement based on the receipt of an EP Communication issued in European Patent Application No. 07076074.9 dated December 16, 2010; a Final Notice of Reasons for Rejection issued in Japanese Patent Application No. 2006-503726 dated December 16, 2010; a Notice for Reasons for Rejection issued in Japanese Patent Application No. 2006-547458 and mailed January 24, 2011:

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**STATEMENT**

The undersigned hereby states in accordance with 37 CFR §1.97(e)(2) that each item of the following items, to the knowledge of the undersigned, was not cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the person signing the certification after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was known to any individual designated in § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement:

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		Notice of Allowance issued in US Patent Application No. 12/851,213 and mailed on December 22, 2010.				

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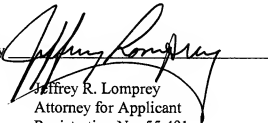
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